IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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To attain the object, the invention provides essentially that the substrate is comprised of a framework or a segment of a framework made of carbon fibers and/or SiC fibers, that the fibers are embedded in a matrix made of carbon and/or SiC, and that the substrate has a porosity p of 5% $_{\rm S}$ p $_{\rm S}$ 95%, especially 10% $_{\rm S}$ p $_{\rm S}$ 95%, and a density p of 0.1 g/cm³ $_{\rm S}$ p $_{\rm S}$ 3.0 g/cm³. Especially, the substrate material is stabilized by means of vapor infiltration and/or fluid impregnation. The framework may be comprised of felt, non-woven material fleece and/or fabric layers.

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In this, felt, non-woven material fleece, and fabric layers can be used as the framework, which are comprised of or contain carbon or can be converted to carbon. This can be achieved, for example, via high-temperature carbonization. The framework is then stabilized via vapor infiltration (CVI) and/or fluid impregnation. In this, the fibers of the framework can be treated such that a sheathing of pure carbon or pure silicon carbide is created. It is also possible to apply a series of coatings of one or more carbon layers and/or one or more silicon carbide layers to the fibers. A graduated transition from carbon to silicon carbide is also possible.

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According to the invention, the substrate 10 is comprised of a framework formed from carbon and/or silicon carbide fibers. Felt, non-woven material fleece or fabric layers can be used as the material. If these are not present in carbon, a carbonization step can be performed beforehand. This is then followed by a stabilization of the fibers 16, 18 via vapor infiltration (CVI) with pyrocarbon (PyC) and/or silicon carbide (SiC). An impregnation with corresponding fluid substances may also be performed.